

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

G/R MEEKER STREET LLC,

Plaintiff,

v.

EQUILON ENTERPRISES LLC, d/b/a
SHELL OIL PRODUCTS US,

Defendant.

Case No. C20-1061RSL

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

On July 13, 2020, the Court ordered plaintiff to provide the citizenship of each owner/member of the parties, both of which are limited liability corporations, in order to establish that federal jurisdiction exists. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1332(a) (the federal court’s basic diversity jurisdiction extends to “all civil actions where the matter in controversy exceeds . . . \$75,000 . . . and is between . . . citizens of different States.”); *Johnson v. Columbia Props. Anchorage, LP*, 437 F.3d 894, 899 (9th Cir. 2006) (holding that “like a partnership, an LLC is a citizen of every state of which its owners/members are citizens”).

Plaintiff’s response (Dkt. # 7) is insufficient. It states that its two members are also LLCs and that one of defendant’s members is an LLC, but does not provide enough

1 information for the Court to ascertain the citizenship of those members.¹ Because a
2 federal court is to presume “that a cause lies outside this limited jurisdiction, and the
3 burden of establishing the contrary rests upon the party asserting jurisdiction” (*Kokkonen*
4 *v. Guardian Life Ins. Co. of Am.*, 511 U.S. 375, 377 (1994) (citations omitted)), the Court
5 must dismiss a case in which the burden has not been met for lack of the statutory or
6 constitutional power to adjudicate the case (*Pistor v. Garcia*, 791 F.3d 1104, 1111 (9th
7 Cir. 2015)).

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9 The above-captioned matter is therefore DISMISSED without prejudice.

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11 Dated this 18th day of August, 2020.

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13 Robert S. Lasnik
14 United States District Judge
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24 ¹ The exhibits attached to the declaration of counsel identify two individuals as governors
25 of GRE Meeker Street, LLC, one of the two members of plaintiff G/R Meeker Street LLC, but
26 do not identify the state in which they reside. Dkt. # 8-4 at 1.